

The City Council of the City of Tuskegee met in regular session on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. in the L.M. Gregg Auditorium at the Municipal Complex located at 101 Fonville Street.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** *Mayor Johnny Ford.*
2. **INVOCATION.** Lord's Prayer Repeated in Unison.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Repeated in Unison.
4. **ROLL CALL.** Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk.

PRESENT

Mayor Johnny Ford
Mayor Pro-Tempore Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr.
Council Member Georgette White Moon
Council Member Ala Whitehead

ABSENT

Council Member Frank Christopher Lee, II

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to accept and approve the agenda as circulated. Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** *November 24, 2015*

Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to accept and approve the minutes as circulated with the correction on page 6 removing the "d" from the word Judge. Council Member Moon seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

7. **CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Dr. Elaine C. Harrington
RE: Statement of Support for the Tuskegee Branch of the NAACP Nomination of the Spingarn Medal for Atty. Fred D. Gray

Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead for Council to give a statement of support for the Nomination of the Spingarn Medal from Tuskegee Branch of the NAACP for Atty. Fred Gray. The Spingarn Award is the highest award given by the NAACP. Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

2. James Harris RE: One-time Cost of Living Increase for Retirees

8. **MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS.** *Mayor Johnny Ford*

- A. City Council Work Session.
- B. One-Time Lump Sum Payment for Employees. (\$100.00)
- C. Announcements.

9. **SGA /OTHER AGENCIES, ETC. COMMUNICATIONS.** *NONE.*

10. **CITY MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS.** James W. Harper, City Manager.

- A. Council Updates / Concerns.
- B. Street Maintenance Activities.
- C. Financial Report.
- D. Fire Truck Bid: Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. (Accept)

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept the fire truck bid from Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. for the fire truck. Council Member Moon seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

E. Announcements:

- City of Tuskegee Christmas Parade will be held on Friday, December 11, 2015
- 2nd Regular City Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 instead of December 22nd
- Tuskegee-Macon County Head Start: Annual Red, White & Blue Social "Our Little Einstein's", Thursday, December 17, 2015 at 5:30 PM TU Chapel
- City of Tuskegee/UBT Joint Christmas Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 22, 2015 at 12:00 noon L.M. Gregg Auditorium, Municipal Complex
- City of Tuskegee will be closed Thursday, December 24th and Friday, December 25th for Christmas

11. **ORDINANCES.**

12. **RESOLUTIONS:**

- A. Resolution No. 2016-9. Accepting the Fire Truck Bid: Pierce Manufacturing, Inc.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept the resolution as stated accepting the fire truck bid from Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. Council Member Moon seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-9

**A Resolution Accepting the Pierce Bid on A Fire Truck Submitted
through Houston Galveston Area Council**

WHEREAS, the City of Tuskegee was eligible to request purchasing assistance through the Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 as made available and administered by the Houston – Galveston Area Council; and

WHEREAS, four bids were received through HGAC, Houston Galveston Area Council and reviewed carefully by the Fire Chief of the City of Tuskegee; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief recommends that Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. be the qualified bidder and be awarded the contract in the amount of \$674,323.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Tuskegee, Alabama as follows:

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. That the City Council finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City of Tuskegee to accept the bid from Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. received through Houston Galveston Area Council for one (1) Pierce Built Custom Chassis, 75' Ladder Quint and Loose Equipment per the proposal for a total price of \$674,323.00.
3. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to proceed further to execute all necessary documents to facilitate the construction of one (1) Pierce Built Custom Chassis, 75' Ladder Quint and Loose Equipment per the proposal.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 8th day of December, 2015.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA



Johnny Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

James W. Harper, City Manager

B. Resolution No. 2016-10. Celebrating & Remembering the Life of Lilla Moore, deceased.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept the resolution as stated celebrating & remembering the life of Lilla Moore, deceased. Mayor Ford seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-10
Celebrating & Remembering the Life of Lilla Moore, deceased

WHEREAS, of all beautiful things in life, the most beautiful, is character, and she who possesses a beautiful character is worthy of notice. A beautiful life is the fruit of a beautiful character. She, of whom we speak is Lilla "Lake" Moore; and with a lasting gratitude for her exemplary life, her tireless and unselfish labor among us; the good she did, the inspiration we imbibed; we dedicate this hour; and

WHEREAS, Lilla Moore was a daughter of the late Macon and Lilla Moore of Roba, Alabama. She was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by five sons: Thomas (LaFran), Clinton, Eddie, Jerome (Velma) and Leonard (Tonya); two daughters: Lorraine (Ronald) Williams and Stephanie Fitzpatrick; two brothers: Evans and Shell (Emma); twenty-four grandchildren and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends; and

WHEREAS, Lilla Moore was a faithful and dedicated member of the Magnolia Baptist Church where she served as an usher as long as she was able to serve; and

WHEREAS, as Mayor and on behalf of the City Council of the City of Tuskegee, we recognize a life well lived; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED by me as the Mayor of the City of Tuskegee and the City Council of the City of Tuskegee as follows: (1) that the above recitals are true and correct; (2) that we mourn the death of Lilla Moore and express sympathy to her children and her extended family and friends; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to spread this Proclamation and transmit a duly authenticated copy to the family of Lilla "Lake" Moore.

In witness I have hereunto set my hands and caused this seal to be affixed.



Johnny Ford, Mayor

13. **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT.**

Attorney Gray stated that most of his report has been given relating to the closing and hearings set regarding Exit 38. One meeting is set for 5:00 PM and the other meeting is set for 5:15 PM on December 15, 2015 with AmeriFirst Bank and UBT. He also stated that he has met several times over the past several days with the attorney for AmeriFirst Bank as well as with Mr. Samuel & Mr. Long; and also pulling in bond counsel from the 2012 Bond Issue on tomorrow, December 9, 2015 just to make sure on the UBT side that there are no conflicts with the trust indenture that the UBT has with Regions Bank.

Also with respect to the Cox Case, in November the Judge ordered both parties to give him proposed orders and all parties have done that and are just waiting on Judge Martin to rule that case. Finally atty. Gray stated that he continually on a regular basis stays in contact with the City Manager with respect to different claims as well as the litigated and non-litigated cases of the City and the green project. Atty. Gray stated that he has the confidential reports for Council and he will be happy to answer any questions that Council may have.

Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to accept the City Attorney's Report as present. Mayor Ford seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

14. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

There being no further matters to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Whitehead moved to adjourn at 7:16 PM. Mayor Ford declared the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA

Johnny Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk